

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawing includes changes to Fig. 2. This sheet, which includes Figs. 2, 3a-3c, replaces the original sheet including Figs. 2, 3a - 3c, now presenting the legend "PRIOR ART".

Attachment: Replacement Sheet

REMARKS

By the above amendment, claims 2, 4 and 6 have been amended to overcome the informalities noted in the office action such that applicants submit that the objections to claims 2, 4 and 6 should now be overcome. Furthermore, by the present amendment, the objection to the drawings should now be overcome in that submitted herewith is a replacement sheet of drawing for Fig. 2 wherein Fig. 2 is labeled as "Prior Art", as required by the Examiner. Thus, the objection to the drawings should now be overcome.

With regard to the information disclosure statement submitted, applicants note that the documents submitted have been placed in the application file and applicants note that submission of English translation of the non-English language items is considered unnecessary, since the items are considered to be unrelated to the claims and not relevant thereto.

With regard to the Terminal Disclaimer filed on March 6, 2007, which was not accepted because of failure to properly identify patent No. 5,699,173, submitted herewith is a new Terminal Disclaimer and the statutory fee therefor with respect to US Patent No. 5,793,517 and 5,699,173 recognizing that the rejection of claims 2 - 9 on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 5 of US Patent No. 5,793,517 and claims 9 and 21 of US Patent No. 5,699,173, should now be overcome, it being noted that the Terminal Disclaimer is submitted in order to expedite issuance of this application, and applicants do not acquiesce in the propriety of the obviousness-type double patenting rejection as set forth.


In view of the correction of the claims and the submission of a replacement sheet for Fig. 2 as well as the proper submission of a Terminal Disclaimer, applicants

submit that this application should now be in condition for allowance and issuance of a notice of allowance is requested.

To the extent necessary, applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 500.32820CC7), and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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